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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: M. HARIYA et al.

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For: ANALYTICAL MODEL PREPARING METHOD AND

ANALYTICAL MODEL PREPARING APPARATUS

Group: 2123

Examiner: L. Osborne

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 25, 2006

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated April 25, 2006, the period for reply thereto being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire August 25, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.